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SUBJECT: BIODATA ON FY 74 IV NOMINEE MR. MONCEF BELHAJAMOR

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1. BIODATA SUBMITTED ON GOT SECRETARY GENERAL MONCEF BELHAJAMOR
NOT REPEAT NOT ACCURATE. CORRECT BIODATA THAT IV NOMINEE
FOLLOWS:

2. BORN IN 1931 AT BENI KHIAR, NABEURL, TUNISIA, MR. BELHAJAMOR
DID SECONDARY STUDIES AT ALAOUI COLLEGE IN TUNIS AND LYCEE
CARNOT, WHERE HE OBTAINED HIS BAC AS WELL AS HIS DIPLOMA
FROM SADIKI COLLEGE. HE STUDIED LAW AND LETTER AT THE INS-
TITUTE OF HIGH STUDIES IN TUNIS AND OBTAINED A LICENCE IN
LAW IN 1957. HE ENTERED THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE IN 1954 AFTER
A COMPETITIVE EXAM AS INSPECTOR-TRAINEE IN THE
EXTERNAL SERVICE. MR. BELHAJAMOR WAS THEN PROMOTED
TO ASSISTANCE INSPECTOR IN 1957. IN THE SAME YEAR
HE WAS PROMOTED TO GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATOR AND CHARGED WITH
CONTROL OVER LOCAL COOPERATIVES IN 1960 HE WAS TRANSFERRED
TO THE BUDGET SERVICE. HE ROSE TO DIRECTOR OF THE BUDGET IN
1968 AND IN OCTOBER 1970 HE WAS NAMED CHEF DE CABINET IN THE
MINISTRY. HE HELD THIS POSITION UNTIL JULY 1973, WHEN HE WAS
NAMED SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE GOVERNMENT UNDER THE PRIME
MINISTER.

MR. BELHAJAMOR HAS OFTEN BEEN INVOLVED IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH
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INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS WHICH GIVE

AID TO TUNISIA. HE REPRESENTED TUNISIA ON THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE WORLD BANK AS A DEPUTY MEMBER. HE ALSO REPRESENTED THE
STATE IN VARIOUS PUBLIC AND SEMI-PUBLIC CORPORATIONS.
HE SERVED AS VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BENI KHIAR
FROM 1963 TO 1969, WHEN HE WAS ELECTED MAYOR, A POSITION HE
STILL HOLDS.

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